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A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

PROPOSING AN AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION OF ARIZONA, AMENDING ARTICLE VI,
SECTION 42, CONSTITUTION OF ARIZONA; RELATING TO THE JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT.

(TEXT OF BILL BEGINS ON NEXT PAGE)

1 Be it resolved by the Senate of the State of Arizona, the House of
2 Representatives concurring:

3 1. Article VI, section 42, Constitution of Arizona, is proposed to be
4 amended as follows if approved by the voters and on proclamation of the
5 Governor:

42. Retention evaluation of justices and judges: evaluation of superior court commissioners

A. The supreme court shall adopt, after public hearings, and administer for all justices and judges who file a declaration to be retained in office **AND FOR ALL SUPERIOR COURT COMMISSIONERS**, a process, established by court rules for evaluating judicial performance. The rules shall include written performance standards and performance reviews which survey opinions of persons who have knowledge of the justice's, **or** judge's **OR SUPERIOR COURT COMMISSIONER'S** performance.

B. The public shall be afforded a full and fair opportunity for participation in the evaluation process through public hearings, dissemination of evaluation reports to voters and any other methods as the court deems advisable. THE SUPREME COURT SHALL PUBLISH AND MAINTAIN CURRENT AND PREVIOUS EVALUATION REPORTS ON ITS WEBSITE.

2. The Secretary of State shall submit this proposition to the voters at the next general election as provided by article XXI, Constitution of Arizona.